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House Resolution No. 289

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to recognize young men who have excelled during their association with the Boy Scouts of America program with its emphasis on physical, mental and spiritual growth; self-reliance; personal values; service to others; and an appreciation and understanding of the wonderful natural world; and

Whereas, Wesley "Wes" Maness of Troop 404 has successfully completed all of the stringent requirements for Scouting's highest advancement award, the rank of Eagle Scout, which will be bestowed upon him during the Warrensburg Area Eagle Court of Honor on Sunday, February 6, 2005, at Northside Christian Church, Warrensburg; and

Whereas, attainment of the Eagle Scout rank is dependent upon the sequential completion of each of the Boy Scout steps of Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star and Life, and expected troop service, requirements admirably fulfilled by Wes; and

Whereas, diligent labors by Wes earned him numerous merit badges which are arrayed on his uniform sash as a visual illustration of the diverse skills and knowledge which he has acquired as a Boy Scout; and

Whereas, in keeping with Scouting practice, Wes applied the knowledge which he learned at troop meetings in many camping, hiking and service activities; and

Whereas, Wes completed an Eagle Project which consisted of planning and landscaping a meditation garden in the courtyard of First Christian Church to serve as a capstone to his Scouting career and to stand as a constant reminder of his dedication to serving others, an admirable trait which justifies the esteemed role which Scouting plays in today's society:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the outstanding achievements realized by Wesley Maness during his long sojourn with Scouting and to congratulate him for having the drive and energy necessary to attain the rank of Eagle; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for new Eagle Scout Wesley "Wes" Maness.

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| District No. 121 |
| I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 289, adopted January 27, 2005. |
| Rod Jetton, Speaker |